GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

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TELEPHONE CONNECTION IN ASSAM CIRCLE
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of telephone connections pending under Assam Circle till date;

(b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise;

(c) the number of proposals for new Exchanges pending;

(d) if so, the details of the above in respect of Barpeta, Nalbari and Bongaigaon;

(e) whether all the telephone connections in regard to M.P. quota are installed timely;

(f) if so, the details thereof; and

(g) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) Total number of telephone connections pending (waiting list) in Assam Telecom Circle as on 30th November, 2001 is 25,862.

(b) District wise break up of pending telephone connections (waiting list) as on 30/11/2001 is given in the annexure.

(c) It is planned to commission 30 Nos. of new telephone exchanges in Assam during 2001-02, out of which 14 have already been commissioned as on 30.11.2001.

(d) Details of the exchanges to be commissioned during 2001-02 in Barpeta, Nalbari & Bongaigaon Districts are as follows:-

District	Station	Remarks
Barpeta	NIL	-
Nalbari		
(i)	Dhamdhama	-
(ii)	Rampur	Commissioned
Bongaigaon	NIL	-

(e) to (g): All out efforts are being mae to installall the out of turn connections sanctioned on recommendation of Hon`ble MPs at the earliest. However, sometimes delays occur in technically non-feasible cases. Year-wise details, (since 1997) of MP quota cases sanctioned, installed & pending are as follows:-

Year	Sanctioned	Installed	Cancelled	Pending
1997	496	496	NIL	NIL
1998	456	456	NIL	NIL
1999	579	579	NIL	NIL
2000	1059	1010	2	47
2001	899	558	4	337

(up to November, 2001)

ANNEXURE

DISTRICT WISE DETAILS OF PENDING ASSAM TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS (WAITING LIST) OF TELECOM CIRCLE AS ON 30.11.2001

Sl. No.	REVENUE DISTRICT	WAITING LIST
1	KAMRUP	968
2	DIBRUGARH	1170
3	TINSUKIA	1268
4	CACHAR	1905
5	KARIMGANJ	1273
6	HAILAKANDI	221
7	N.C. HILLS	327
8	JORHAT	1330
9	SIBSAGAR	2874
10	GOLAGHAT	2209
11	BONGAIGAON	783
12	GOLAPARA	456
13	DHUBRI	1446
14	KOKRAJHAR	601
15	BARPETA	2286
16	NALBARI	1242
17	SONITUR	624
18	DARRANG	456
19	LAKHIMPUR	775
20	DHEMAJI	297
21	NAGAON	2104
22	MORIGAON	553
23	KARBI ANGLONG	694
	TOTAL	25862